


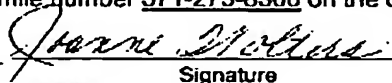
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<b>Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal</b>  Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after  See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).	Application Number	10/680,812
	Filing Date	October 7, 2003
	First Named Inventor	Ramesh Varadaraj
	Attorney Docket No.	RV-0319
	Examiner Name	Gregory E. Webb
	Confirmation Number	4779
	Group Art Unit	1751
Family Number	P2002J107-US2	

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 of the above-identified application.  
**NOTE:** 37 CFR § 1.114 is effective on 5/29/2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to 5/29/2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 CFR § 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination & Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed Reg 50092 (8/16/2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed Reg 14865 (3/20/2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (4/11/2000), which established RCE practice.

1. <b>Submission required under 37 CFR § 1.114</b>	
a. <input type="checkbox"/> Previously submitted	
i. <input type="checkbox"/> Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR § 1.116 previously filed on _____ (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).	
ii. <input type="checkbox"/> Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____	
iii. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	
b. <input type="checkbox"/> Enclosed	
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iii. <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)	
iv. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	
2. <b>Miscellaneous</b>	
a. <input type="checkbox"/> Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; fee under 37 CFR § 1.17(i) required)	
b. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	
3. <b>Fees</b> The RCE fee under 37 CFR § 1.17(c) is required by 37 CFR § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.	
a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to <u>Deposit Account No. 05-1330</u> .	
i. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RCE fee required under 37 CFR § 1.17(e): <u>\$ 790.-</u>	
ii. <input type="checkbox"/> Extension of time fee (37 CFR §§ 1.136 and 1.17): \$ _____	
iii. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	

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